

An Illustrative Question Message 2

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► Outline

One of the criminals ... scoffed, "so You're the Messiah, are You? Prove it by saving Yourself—and us ..." **Luke 23:39 (NLT)**

But the other criminal protested, "Don't you fear God even when you have been sentenced to die?" **Luke 23:40 (NLT)**

A. Introduction

(Luke 23:32-33. C/R: Isaiah 53:12; Galatians 3:13; Philippians 2:8)

B. As Jesus was crucified, He...

(Luke 23:34-43)

1. Expressed _____.
(Luke 23:34. C/R: Psalm 22:18; Luke 6:27-28,35; Acts 3:17-19; 1 Peter 2:21-24)

2. Experienced _____.
(Luke 23:35-39. C/R: Psalm 22:7-8; 69:21; Matthew 12:34-35; Luke 6:45)

3. Extended _____.
(Luke 23:40. C/R: Acts 15:11; Ephesians 2:8-9; Titus 3:5; 1 Peter 1:3-4)

Evidence of salvation:

- Recognized his _____.
(Luke 23:41. C/R: 1 John 1:8-9)
- Realized Jesus' _____.
(Luke 23:42. C/R: Matthew 16:15-17)
- Received _____.
(Luke 23:43. C/R: John 3:16; Romans 6:23; 10:13)

Answers: 1. forgiveness 2. ridicule 3. grace, sins, identity, eternal life

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► Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself, with those in your home or with others using video chat.

Conversation Starter

Forgiving someone means _____.

Opening in Prayer

Begin with a few minutes of silence. Ask God to open your heart and mind so you can hear His voice. Ask Him to help you respond to what He reveals to you as you read, study and reflect on this week's lesson.

Personal Reflection/Group Discussion

Read [Luke 23:32-47](#).

1. As you visualize the scene and the people, what are their attitudes toward Jesus?
2. Contrast the attitudes revealed by the requests of the two criminals. How did Jesus respond to them? What does this tell you about Jesus?
3. What ways did the rulers and the soldiers mock Jesus? What is the purpose of the inscription placed over Him?
4. What did the centurion say after Christ died? Why do you think he made this statement?
5. What's the difference between grace and mercy? How are each of these displayed in this passage? What other Bible passages teach about God's forgiveness?
6. What words would you use to describe Jesus' attitude in this passage?
7. What's the hardest part of forgiving someone?
8. What are telltale signs of a person who has been born again?

Digging Deeper

9. What does [Isaiah 53:10-12](#) say about the death of the Messiah, and how is that fulfilled in [Luke 23:32-47](#)?
10. How is [Psalm 22:18](#) fulfilled and are there any other fulfillments or allusions from [Psalm 22](#) that are accomplished at the death of Christ?
11. Read [Luke 7:36-50](#), and ask God to teach you as you read. What are the heart attitudes of the Pharisee, the woman and Jesus? What does this story teach you about forgiveness?

Soul Training

Read [1 John 1:5-10](#). Ask God to shine His light in your life and show you anything hindering your relationship with Him. Confess that to God, and thank Him for His patience and forgiveness. Is there anyone you need to forgive? Pause quietly and ask the Lord what He wants you to know.

Memory Verse

For "Everyone who calls on the name of the LORD will be saved."

[Romans 10:13 \(NLT\)](#)

Daily Reading

Day 1: [Luke 6:26-36](#)

Day 4: [Ephesians 2:8-10](#)

Day 2: [Luke 7:36-50](#)

Day 5: [Hebrews 10:11-15](#)

Day 3: [1 Peter 2:21-24](#)

Prepare for Next Sunday

Next Sunday, April 5, we'll continue the series titled *Questions from Calvary*. To prepare, read [Matthew 27:45-54](#). We'll also be sharing the Lord's Supper separately together. You can prepare this week by gathering some elements that represent Christ's body and blood. For some families that's a bag of chips and a juice box. For others it might mean bread, or crackers, and a beverage of your choice. Join us online at 11 am as Perry guides us through an early church version of the Lord's Supper in our homes. We'll share a guide to facilitate this experience next week.



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